Nominating Panel - Local Appeal Body

XV10.1	ACTION	Amended		Ward: All
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Appointment of Public Members to the Toronto Local Appeal Body

Confidential Attachment - Personal matters about identifiable individuals who are being considered for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body

Panel Decision

The Local Appeal Body Nominating Panel recommends that:

- 1. City Council appoint the following candidates to the Toronto Local Appeal Body for a term ending on December 13, 2022, and until successors are appointed:
- Sean Karmali
- Justin Leung
- Shaheynor Talukder
- John Tassiopoulos
- 2. City Council direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1, 2 and 3 to the report (November 15, 2018) from the City Clerk remain confidential in their entirety as they relate to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body.

Decision Advice and Other Information

Candidates' biographies:

Sean Karmali

Sean Karmali obtained his law degree from Osgoode Hall Law School. He also holds two Master's degrees, one in Political Science from the University of Toronto and the other in Public Policy from York University. Sean has served on the City of Toronto's Committee of Adjustment panel for 7 years as a decision-maker and chair. He works in the public service where he has held progressive positions within various departments. Sean's skills include statutory interpretation, planning law, and ADR.

Justin Leung

Justin graduated from York University's planning program in 2013 and first entered the workforce in the public sector. He then joined the Town of Aurora as Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment and as a Planning Technician. He is continuing to learn by pursuing a college certificate for AutoCAD and is active in his community by volunteering with the Bruce Trail Conservancy.

Shaheynor Talukder

Shaheynor Talukder is a lawyer practicing in estates law and business law in Toronto. She is active in the Toronto community and volunteers at several community-based and law organizations. She is a graduate of the University of Toronto (M.Sc.) and University of Ottawa (J.D.). She is also a member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners, Canada.

John Tassiopoulos

John is a senior urban designer within WSP Canada Group Ltd. with 19 years of experience. He is a graduate of the University of Toronto in Urban and Economic Geography and Political Science. He has experience in urban design and planning ranging from large to small scale projects. He also serves as an instructor with the RAIC Syllabus program and as a member of the Vaughan Design Review Panel. He previously served as a member of the Toronto East York Committee of Adjustment (2009-2015).

Origin

(November 15, 2018) Report from the City Clerk

Summary

The Local Appeal Body Nominating Panel will conduct interviews and recommend four candidates to City Council for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body.

Background Information

(November 15, 2018) Report from the City Clerk on Appointment of Public Members to the Toronto Local Appeal Body

(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2018/xv/bgrd/backgroundfile-121783.pdf)

Confidential Attachment 1 - List of candidates, qualifications, confidential diversity information summary, and applications for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body (previously distributed with Item XV9.1)

Confidential Attachment 2 - Interview questions for November 23, 2018

Confidential Attachment 3 - Interview schedule for November 23, 2018